

We can only trust that this is not a matter of the "horse having already been let out of the barn," and that the comments filed will be seriously considered by the FCC.

All histrionics aside, we have found it quite telling to listen to various recorded audio clips of interference created by BPL in Japan. Quite logically, the Japanese ultimately rejected BPL as a consequence of this unacceptable, insidious by-product. We understand that Finland did likewise.

As an amateur extra licensee, we have some insight that if BPL is allowed, interference is likely to follow due to the current inadequacy of the power grid system. It was not designed to be a balanced load, nor will it ever likely be so in light of today's economic realities for the power industry.

While, as an amateur licensee, we might claim some vested interest in preserving the integrity of the spectrum we have the privilege of utilizing, our alleged "rights" are not paramount. One only needs to look at the events surrounding 9/11, the Columbia tragedy or the recent fires in the west to see that the public's safety is paramount, and unfettered amateur communications were vital in the aftermath of these events.

Consequently, we sincerely trust that the FCC will simply say "NO," to BPL.

Thank you for your anticipated in-depth consideration of this serious matter.